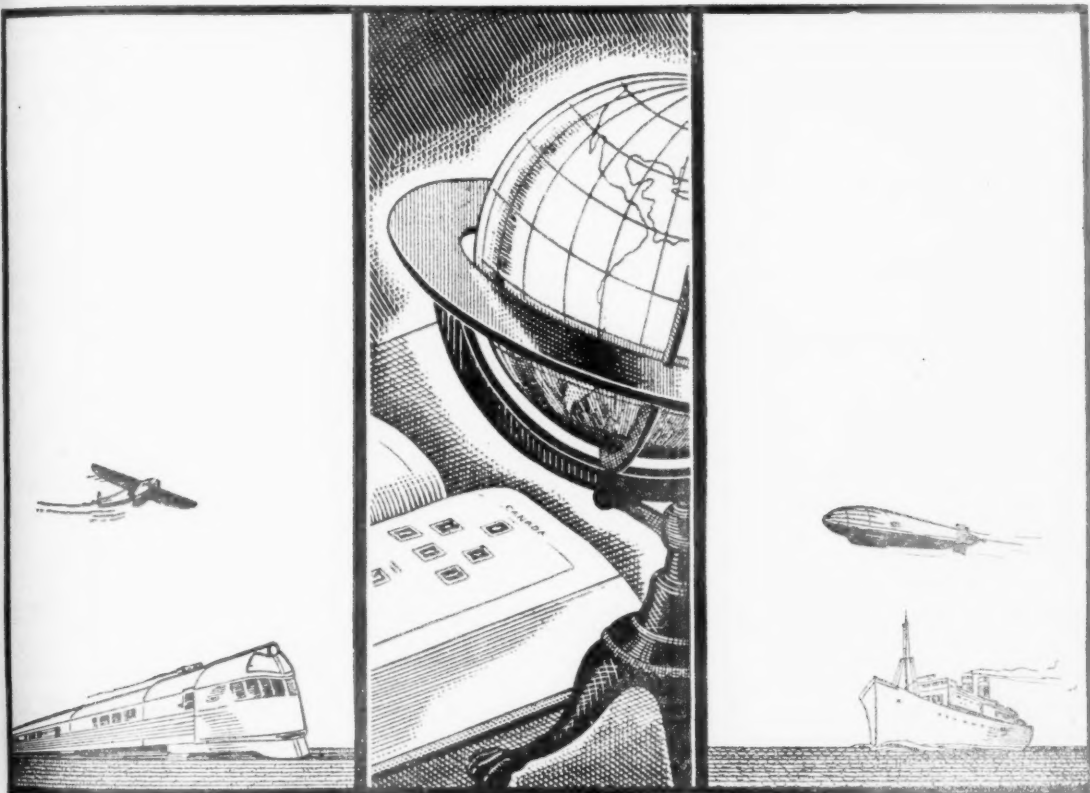


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By J. L. BOPELY



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## Don Q's 330th Anniversary

BY MONTGOMERY MULFORD

Three hundred, thirty years ago Miguel Cervantes brought out that far-famed book, "Don Quixote." That daffy old sentimentalist who rode forth upon an aged plough-horse to deeds of supposed valor, also rode into the hearts, not only of his countrymen, but of all the world.

Thirty years ago, upon the three hundredth anniversary of Don Q's appearance, the monarchy of Spain (finis, 1931) brought out a series of ten postage stamps celebrating that anniversary and commemorating both the fictional Don, and Cervantes.

Each stamp of that Spanish series depicts some incident in the trials and tribulations of the lanky Don, the Knight of the Sad Countenance. The designs, showing these scenes, are laughable; but so is the story of Quixote.

Today—see Webster, Funk & Wagnall, et al—the word 'Quixotic' is acceptable English, meaning ridiculously chivalrous, or ludicrously romantic. Thus do fiction people influence us!

Every one of the ten stamps of 1905 from Spain bear, on the reader's left, a small portrait, profile-view, of the famed Cervantes. Below the portrait is an open book upon which lays a sword, symbolic.

Miguel de Cervantes-Saavedra, to give him his full name, was born in the year 1547 and he became a traveler, soldier, (taking part in a naval battle too, that of Lepanto, of Europe against pirates), slave of Barbary pirates, political accountant, playwright and scribbler of stories. His left hand was crippled in the

Lepanto sea-battle, but it did not daunt him. He got into trouble, as an accountant, with authorities, but this did not dim his energies. He wrote numerous plays (most of them lost), a number of novels, and Dor Quixote which established his fame (1605, two editions bootlegged in Lisbon, Portugal shortly), and died in 1616, on the twenty-third of April.

So we should spend a moment recalling Don Q, while 1935 ebbs away, and take time out, if we are able, to find the Spanish 1905 commemoratives to add, if we have not already done so, to our expanding albums.

## Governor Lost His Cover

A news despatch from Des Moines, Iowa, tells of all the Janitors in the State Capitol building rummaging through the waste baskets in search of a cover that came to Governor Clyde L. Herring on the first flight of the China Clipper from the Philippines.

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#### Covers Carried

The Post Office Department has released the complete figures of the number of covers carried from point-to-point on the first flight of the trans-Pacific air mail service, both to Manila and the return trip. Some of the figures have been noted before and there are a few corrections in some of the figures so this list should be considered final and authentic.

#### Westbound flight

from San Francisco to Hawaii	46,750
San Francisco to Guam	20,350
San Francisco to Manila	42,900
Hawaii to Guam	6,430
Hawaii to Manila	6,968
Guam to Manila	5,700

#### Eastbound flight

from Manila to Guam	4,808
Manila to Hawaii	4,273
Manila to San Francisco	2,543
Guam to Hawaii	3,543
Guam to San Francisco	6,476
Hawaii to San Francisco	48,661

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### A Mystery

If you have a 5c New Orleans Confed. Provisional, look in the curve of the figure "5" and you will see a small but distinct "8." The reason for its being there is one of the mysteries of philately. Dietz states that it was not on the original wood-engraving but is a later cutting made on the metal of each of the 40 duplicate units. Why?

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# Death of W. W. MacLaren

W. Wallace MacLaren for 29 years credit manager of the Cleveland Ohio Press, until his retirement 8 years ago, died at his home 1135 17th Avenue, North St. Petersburg, Florida on Christmas morning at 6 a. m. after a ten day illness.

MacLaren was 63 years of age and had been a winter visitor to St. Petersburg for the past five years, succumbing to the lure of the climate eighteen months ago and has resided here permanently since then.

As one of the most widely known stamp collectors in the United States, MacLaren was conceded to be an authority upon early issues of United States, and known to countless thousands as the grand old man of philately.

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time to visiting and speaking before stamp clubs throughout many cities on the Atlantic seaboard and the Great Lakes Area, and showing some of his own exceedingly fine items. His pioneering work along this line gave a great stimulus to young stamp clubs, many of whom proceeded to make greater headway from the ideas he fostered towards spreading the gospel of philately.

He held the distinction of being one of two living charter members of the Garfield Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland, Ohio, organized 47 years ago and one of the largest and oldest in United States, and was a member of many of the national stamp societies. He had lectured frequently before the St. Petersburg Stamp Club of which he was a member for years, and had been a generous donor to their welfare.

He is survived by his widow Ida MacLaren of this city. His daughter, Mrs. Eleanor Hawthorne and her husband of Cleveland who arrived in this city ten days ago; besides two sons Wallace E. and Albert S. both of Cleveland, Ohio. His remains were taken to Cleveland for burial.

—Albert E. Newman.

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## Death of Fred Hawkins, Jr.

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## Weeping Princess

A curious freak occurred in connection with the Jubilee Issue, known as the "Weeping Princess." The marking appeared on only one stamp in certain sheets—the first stamp in the third row. It is thought to have happened by a piece of foreign matter adhering to the plate for a certain time during the printing. It is not known how many sheets containing this "freak" were printed and copies in Canada are selling for 50 to 75c. Collectors however are warned to be on their guard in buying this, if they intend to add same to their collection, for a crow quill pen, a bottle of Higgins' Green ink, together with a hardened conscience will produce the "tear."

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

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286 2c Copper red	.03	.02
287 4c Orange	1.00	.75
288 5c Dull blue	.85	.70
289 8c Violet brn.	1.35	1.10
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232 3c Green	(2.00)	.45	.30	656 2c Carm. Coil		.12	.02
233 4c Ultramarine	(2.50)	.50	.08	657 2c Carm. Sullivan	(.20)	.05	.03
234 5c Chocolate		.90	.16	658 2c Carm. Ohio	(.20)	.08	.07
235 6c Purple	(4.00)	1.00	.65	659 2c Carm. Mass.	(.20)	.05	.02
236 8c Magenta		.85	.12	660 2c Carm. Charles	(.32)	.08	.07
237 10c Black Brn.		1.00	.08	661 2c Carm. Braddocks	(.30)	.07	.05
238 15c Dk. Green		2.75	1.20	662 2c Carm. Steuben	(.20)	.05	.03
239 30c Or. Brown		3.50	2.75	663 2c Carm. Pulaski	(.15)	.04	.02
240 50c Slate Blue		4.50	3.00	664 2c Red Cross	(.15)	.04	.02
1898 TRANS-MISS. ISSUE				1932 WASHINGTON BICENTENNIAL			
285 1c Yell. Green	(1.75)	.30	.10	704 1/2c Olive Brown	(.04)	.01	.01
286 2c Copper Red	(1.70)	.20	.02	705 1c Green	(.08)	.02	.01
287 4c Orange	(6.00)	1.50	.80	706 1 1/2c Brown	(.20)	.05	.02
288 5c Dull Blue		1.50	.90	707 2c Carmine	(.10)	.03	.01
289 8c Vio. Brown	(16.00)	2.50	1.50	708 3c Purple	(.60)	.15	.01
290 10c Grey Violet		2.25	.65	709 4c Lt. Brown	(.32)	.08	.01
291 50c Sage Green		8.00	3.50	710 5c Blue	(.32)	.08	.01
1901 PAN-AMERICAN ISSUE				711 6c Orange	(.40)	.10	.01
294 1c Green & Black	(.90)	.22	.07	712 7c Black	(.36)	.09	.04
295 2c Car. & Black	(1.30)	.22	.02	713 8c Olive Bistre	(.52)	.13	.04
296 4c Choc. & Black		1.30	.28	714 9c Pale Red	(.60)	.15	.02
297 5c Ultr. & Black		1.35	.70	715 10c Or. Yellow	(.80)	.20	.01
298 8c Br. Vio. & Blk.		1.90	1.70	1932-34 COMMEMORATIVES			
299 10c Yell. Brn. & Blk.		2.25	.85	716 2c Car. L. Placid	(.12)	.03	.02
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1907 JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION				723 3c Pur. Newburgh	(.18)	.04	.02
328 1c Green	(1.30)	.30	.12	724 1c Gr. Chicago	(.08)	.02	.01
329 2c Carmine	(1.75)	.35	.07	725 3c Pur. Chicago	(.20)	.05	.01
330 5c Blue		2.25	1.15	726 1c Imp. (sht. 40)	(.08)	.02	.02
1909 LINCOLN MEMORIAL				727 3c Imp. (sht. 95)	(.16)	.05	.04
367 2c Carmine	(1.25)	.22	.04	728 3c N. R. A.	(.20)	.05	.01
368 2c Imperf.	(4.80)	1.20	1.20	729 3c Blue Byrd	(.30)	.05	.05
369 2c Blue Paper	(20.00)	5.00		730 5c Kosciuszko	(.28)	.07	.03
ALASKA-YUKON ISSUE				731 3c Imp. (sht. 25)	(.20)	.05	.03
370 2c Carmine	(1.50)	.27	.05	732 3c Carm. Md.	(.16)	.04	.02
371 2c Imperf.	(4.50)	1.20	1.20	733 3c M. D. Rotary	(.16)	.04	.01
HUDSON-FULTON ISSUE				734 3c M. D. Flat	(.16)	.04	.03
372 2c Carmine	(1.50)	.25	.07	735 Same imperf.	(.16)	.04	.04
373 2c Imperf.	(4.80)	1.20	1.20	736 3c Wisconsin	(.16)	.04	.01
1912-13 PANAMA-PACIFIC Perf. 12				737 Same imperf.	(.16)	.04	.04
397 1c Green	(1.00)	.25	.05	738 1c Green	(.08)	.02	.01
398 2c Carmine		.30	.02	739 Same imperf.	(.08)	.02	.02
399 5c Blue	(8.50)	2.00	.50	740 2c Red	(.12)	.03	.01
400 10c Orange		4.00	.40	741 Same imperf.	(.12)	.03	.03
400a 10c Orange Yellow		3.00	.40	742 3c Purple	(.16)	.04	.01
1915 SAME PERF. 10				743 Same imperf.	(.16)	.04	.04
401 1c Green		.60	.13	744 4c Brown	(.20)	.05	.04
402 2c Carmine		2.50	.07	745 Same imperf.	(.20)	.05	.05
403 5c Blue		8.50	.50	746 5c Blue	(.28)	.07	.02
404 10c Orange		10.50	1.20	747 Same imperf.	(.28)	.07	.07
1919-20 VICTORY & PILGRIM				748 6c Blue	(.32)	.08	.04
537 3c Violet	(1.80)	.45	.17	749 Same imperf.	(.32)	.08	.08
548 1c Green	(.65)	.15	.07	750 7c Black	(.36)	.09	.05
549 2c Carmine	(1.30)	.26	.04	751 Same imperf.	(.36)	.09	.09
550 5c Blue	(6.50)	1.25	.75	752 8c Green	(.40)	.10	.05
1923 HARDING MEMORIAL				753 Same imperf.	(.40)	.10	.10
611 2c Black	(.40)	.10	.01	754 9c Salmon	(.44)	.11	.05
612 2c Imperf.	(1.25)	.32	.26	755 Same imperf.	(.44)	.11	.11
613 2c Rotary	(1.80)	.45	.10	756 10c Slate	(.50)	.13	.04
1924 HUGENOT-WALLOON ISSUE				757 Same imperf.	(.50)	.13	.13
614 1c Green	(.50)	.12	.08	758 3c Connecticut	(.16)	.04	.02
615 2c Carm. Rose	(.80)	.20	.06	759 3c San Diego	(.16)	.04	.02
616 5c Dark Blue	(3.60)	.80	.60	760 3c Boulder Dam	(.16)	.04	.02
1925 LEXINGTON-CONCORD ISSUE				761 3c Michigan	(.16)	.04	.02
617 1c Green	(.50)	.12	.10	AIR POST STAMPS			
618 2c Carm. Rose	(1.10)	.27	.23	1918-23 AIRPLANE ISSUES			
619 5c Dark Blue	(2.00)	.50	.45	1300 6c Orange	(2.75)	.65	.45
1925-26 COMMEMORATIVES				1301 16c Green	(10.00)	2.50	.65
620 2c Carm. & Blk.	(1.20)	.30	.25	1302 24c Carm. & Blue	(4.25)	1.00	.70
621 5c Dk. Blue & Blk.	(3.60)	.90	.70	1303 8c Dk. Green	(1.40)	.35	.30
622 2c Carm. Rose	(.60)	.15	.02	1304 16c Dark Blue	(5.00)	1.25	1.05
623 5c Viol. Blue	(1.20)	.30	.12	1305 24c Carmine	(5.50)	1.35	.50
624 2c Carm. Rose	(.40)	.10	.05	1926-34 ISSUES			
629a Exhibition Sheet of 25		5.00		1306 10c Dark Blue	(.55)	.15	.03
1927-28 COMMEMORATIVES				1307 15c Dk. Brown	(.80)	.20	.13
643 2c Carm. Vermont	(.45)	.11	.08	1308 20c Green	(1.00)	.25	.08
644 2c Car. Burgoyne	(1.00)	.25	.21	1309 10c Deep Blue	(.70)	.18	.05
645 2c Car. Val. Forge	(.32)	.08	.03	1310 5c Carm. & Blue	(.35)	.09	.02
646 2c Car. Mol. Pitch.	(.40)	.10	.10	1311 5c Violet	(.44)	.11	.01
(Block) Unused Used				1312 5c Rotary	(.36)	.09	.01
647 2c Carm. Hawaii	(.80)	.20	.20	1313 8c Olive	(.40)	.10	.02
648 5c Blue Hawaii	(2.00)	.50	.50	1314 6c Orange	(.30)	.08	.02
649 2c Carm. Aero.	(.24)	.06	.04	1315 50c Zeppelin	(5.00)	1.25	1.25
650 5c Blue Aero	(.80)	.20	.12	1400 16c Blue	(.80)	.20	.20
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## Religious Traditions of the Stamps

By Harry M. Savacool

### CHAPTER VIII

(Continued From Last Week)

The tradition of St. Vitus has found a place on the stamps. Czecho-Slovakia has pictured on many stamps the Hradcany at Prague which includes St. Vitus Cathedral (No. 1-55, 119, 120, 137, 138) as its most prominent building. It was Fiume, however, which pictured St. Vitus himself on a stamp. In 1923 we have three values which were reissued twice surcharged in 1924. These show St. Vitus standing in an arch bearing a palm (No. 178-180, 190-192, 202-204). There is nothing about this calm figure to remind us of the tradition concerning him. The common tradition is that he was the son of a rich Sicilian nobleman. Through the influence of a teacher he became a Christian. After being persecuted by his father he fell a victim to Diocletian and was martyred at Rome. At St. Vitus Cathedral in Prague some of the relics of the saint are preserved and this interesting tradition is added to the common one. St. Vitus while a missionary in this section was imprisoned on the Cathedral site. In the prison he was seen every night dancing with the angels to celestial music. On the strength of this tradition St. Vitus is the patron saint of dancers. Some think that this tradition is the reason for calling the jerking disease known as St. Vitus Dance by that name. He is the patron saint of Bohemia.

Belgium has made liberal use of the tradition of St. Martin upon her semi-postal stamps. This saint lived in the fourth century. As a converted but unbaptized youth he was enrolled as a Roman Cavalry officer and assigned to service in Gaul. In the streets of Amiens a half-naked beggar accosted him and a group of fellow-officers as they were riding through the streets on a cold winter day and asked an alms. Martin's Christian spirit prompted him to give in spite of the scoffs of his fellow-officers, but at the time he had no money. Without a moments hesitation he drew his sword and cut off the skirt of his long calvary coat and gave it to the beggar. He made a ridiculous appearance as he rode on to the barracks minus half of his coat. That night Jesus himself appeared in a vision to Martin wearing over his own shoulders the half of the coat Martin had given to the beggar. Martin soon withdrew from the army and became a priest and ultimately became Bishop of Tours. He was very successful as a missionary converting great numbers to Christianity. His act of sincere Christian sacrifice caught the imagination of men and he has for centuries been a widely revered saint. The great artist Van Dyck painted the scene of St. Martin sharing his coat which is on display in Saventhum, Belgium. Hardly any scene could be more appropriate for a charity stamp and when Belgium began the issuing of such stamps in 1910 it was the first design used. There are two designs from the same picture;

one hazy, the other clear-cut. The hazy design was used on four values (No. 341-344) and the clear design on the same four values (No. 345-348). The same designs were issued in 1911 surcharged "1911" in black (No. 348a-352) and again in the same year surcharged "Charleroi—1911" (No. 353-360). In 1926 the two same designs were issued on two stamps to raise funds for flood sufferers (No. 393, 394). The designs are the same as the previous issues except for the values which are 1fr plus 1fr and the lettering which is for flood relief instead of Charity.

When Portugal honored St. Anthony of Padua with a set of stamps in 1894 they illustrated a very interesting tradition (No. 125-129), that of the Saint Preaching to the Fishes. When preaching to the heretics at Rimini he found that they gave no heed. This is not an unusual experience for preachers but St. Anthony met the situation in a rather unusual way. He lead the way to the mouth of the nearby river and taking his position upon a rock he said, "Fishes of the sea, I turn to you and to you I bear the glad news of God, for men are deaf and will not hear." The legend asserts that the fishes came to the surface in shoals to hear. When Italy in 1931 also honored this saint they used the same legend on the 25c value (No. 259).

Another interesting tradition which is very ancient but hardly possible historically is set forth on the stamps of Abyssinia. A design called "The Lion of Judah" was used on nearly every issue of higher values from 1894 to 1912. In 1909 "King Solomon's Throne" appeared on three values (No. 87-89), reissued with a handstamp in 1917 (No. 101, 102) and also with a surcharge (No. 108-110). These unusual symbols set forth to the world that the Emperor of Abyssinia claims to be the direct descendant of a son born to Solomon and the Queen of Sheba (Abyssinia). The Bible records a visit of the Queen of Sheba to Solomon (I Kings 10:1-13) but gives no indication that they had anything but the most formal and proper relations. It is certain, however, that the Abyssinians and the Jews must have had some relations in ancient times because the Abyssinians have many Jewish ideas and religious customs. There are also some groups of Abyssinians with strikingly Jewish features.

When Greece in 1913 issued a series of stamps to commemorate the occupation of Macedonia, Epirus and some of the Aegean Islands one of the designs bore a picture of the Cross and Inscription of Constantine, blazing brilliantly in the sky (No. 1020, 1023-1025, 1027, 1029, 1031, 1033, 1035). This refers to the tradition that before that Battle of Milvian Bridge Constantine, who was fighting with Maxentius for the Empire, saw in a vision a brilliant cross in the heavens with the inscription, "In this sign conquer." The next morning he put the cross on his standards and won the victory and the Empire. This was the beginning of the rise (or was it the decline) of the church. Several other traditions are found on the stamps. They will be treated in later chapters where they more properly find their place.



## Airmail Cover News

C. A. Hunter, Syracuse, Nebraska

Information, as well as inquiries for this department should be addressed as above.

To the readers of Linn's Weekly, Geo. W. Linn (himself in person), and the employees of Linprint, Inc., we extend our sincerest Christmas greetings and wish each and every one a most prosperous and happy New Year. To our readers, with proper co-operation, we will endeavor to give the best in news possible.

Trans-Atlantic service will probably start sometime soon during 1936. Agreements have been entered into by the governments affected granting reciprocal landing rights to their respective air transport companies.

In connection with this proposed service, Professor Igor Sikorsky, designer of the Pan-American Clipper ships, has designed an even larger passenger plane for this service.

The town of Barnstable voted to purchase the Hyannis, Mass. airport on the condition that the government allot \$40,000 for improvements. This field was dedicated on Sept. 7, 8, and 9, 1928 but will probably be re-dedicated upon completion of improvements.

During the convention of National Association of State Aviation officials at Providence, R. I., a resolution was passed seeking government aid the same as is now allotted to states for building highways.

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This applies to others as well as party in question. We will answer all inquiries to the best of our knowledge but a stamped envelope must be sent for personal reply.

### AIRPORT NEWS

The airport at Homestead, Fla., was dedicated on Dec. 11 and a three line printed cachet was applied. . . . A new airport is under construction 2 miles west of Rosecrans Field at St. Joseph, Mo. No dedication plans yet. . . . Emergency landing fields are being constructed at Red Bank and Egg Harbor City, N. J. . . . Lloyd A. Nace, 3611 Hamilton Ave., Detroit, Mich., will sponsor a Macon anniversary cachet. Deadline Jan. 15, size 6¾ covers and 1c forwarding charge.

We note a few more dedication varieties popping up. Prescott, Ariz.,

Nov. 11, a large purple box cachet for Phoenix Sky Harbor dedication and carried by Capt. W. D. School—35 carried. Oct. 5, Hays, Kans., 13-line cachet cover carried from Goodland, Kans., airport dedication by H. E. Wheeler on Kansas Air Tour. All we can say is too many varieties.

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# Straight From the Shoulder

A Few Minutes with the Editor

## COUNTERFEIT BALLYHOO

Newspaper clippings from New York tell of the arrest of Jacob B. Hoffman of New York, dealer in stamps. It is yet too early to know all of the details of the arrest, but the part that strikes us as most queer is the statement in the various clippings that counterfeit U. S. Postage stamps of the 2c and 3c value were found in the possession of this man.

One clipping referred to the fact that Hoffman had sheets of the 3c Newburgh stamp which were without gum and that it was believed that the stamps were spurious because such stamps had been issued with gum on them.

It all only goes to show how ill informed officials are as regards our own game of stamp collecting for any ordinary collector would immediately spot these stamps as some of Mr. Farley's reissues.

While there has been much headline matter as regards counterfeit U. S. Postage stamps, it is a question if there actually have been new counterfeits found. Had there been counterfeit stamps found and had any of them been in circulation it is certain that collectors would have noted them ere this.

The whole case is doubtless just another one of these things where an unscrupulous dealer has been traffick-

ing in mint U. S. stamps which have come from sources other than from which they should have come.

Until definite information as to actual counterfeits is available we shall be obliged to feel that the chief offense has been the cleaning and washing of stamps, which has frequently been charged against others in New York, yet when apprehended, the culprits have usually been set free and again start in the stamp business.

## 1936 IS HERE

It's a new year. The old year is past and need only be forgotten. What has gone before we can not change, yet we can be guided by experience gained over a trying period and make an effort to improve this present year.

The dealer who is constantly attending to his own business is usually too busy to attend to the other fellow's business and it is this type of dealer who will forge ahead and make a success of his business.

Every indication points to a bigger and better year than we have had for many years past and it is only by our own individual effort that we can get our share of the good things that 1936 has to offer.

Linn's Weekly wants to wish every one of its readers as well as its advertising patrons, a Happy and Prosperous 1936. By the same cooperation that has been employed in the past, we hope to go on through this year with you in a way that will make all of us better and happier when another holiday season rolls around.

## CARDS FROM OUR FRIENDS

It seems that a greater number of Christmas Greetings have come from our many friends in the past Holiday Season than ever before. We want to take this means of expressing to every one of you our appreciation for your thoughtfulness and to assure you that we have had much pleasure in receiving these remembrances.

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(Scott's Monthly Journal)

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This appears in an article entitled "The American Stamp Market," by Hermann Herst, Jr.

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The Emory, Va., local is printed on U. S. Govt. stamp paper, an oddity if there ever was one. The postmaster had a number of sheets of the 1c 1857 on hand and being without Confederate stamps tore off the margins, made a small hand stamp and impressed it on these margins. About 1,000 of them were sold and Dietz lists it at \$1,250 used.

### GERMANY — PART 5

436-440 1934, Hindenberg Mourn, 5 val. .10  
\*442-443 1934, Nazi Cong. (used .05) .20  
\*444-445 1934, Saar prop. (used .05) .20  
\*446-447 1934, Schiller Com. (used .05) .18  
448-450 1935, Saar Returns, 3 val. .07  
\*448-451 1935, same, epl. (used .25) .45  
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## Book Review

THE UNITED STATES STAMPS OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY, VOL. III, BY MAX G. JOHL.—A continuation of the notable series originated by the author in collaboration with Beverly S. King. The current volume considers the Regular Issues of 1922 (current), all Air Mail and Parcels Post issues. Of particular interest to specialists in United States stamps is a chapter, well illustrated with official photographs, based on the manufacture of our postal paper by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Completing the volume, is a series of plate layout diagrams that will interest the student of plate positions.

Due to the untimely death of Mr. King, a few months ago, from whose collection many of the illustrations of the earlier volumes had been taken, volume III has been illustrated by Walter A. Stevens, who has been doing such excellent work in preparing mats for the Bureau Issues Association. In some cases, the drawings of plate varieties have been taken from Mr. Johl's weekly column.

Mr. Johl presents an excellent chronicle of the series which are presented. His close connection with collectors of Plate Varieties has given him material for the inclusion of many of these, and which are illustrated in a practical manner. Plate Numbers of the different issues and values are tabulated, as in the earlier volumes. But information regarding such position varieties is, as yet, uncertain, so that even with the revisions of the addenda, there are undoubtedly corrections to be made in the list. At present it is not possible for an individual to definitely list such tabulations and expect it to be final.

Unfortunately missing from the book are the Special Handling issues. It appears that these may well have been included, since they are generally considered by collectors along with Parcels Post. The volume is excellent in its text, is well printed on good paper, and shows knowledge of the subject treated, as do the earlier releases of the series. Since this series has become a recognized authority on twentieth century issues, it is to be hoped that the publishers may reconsider their decision not to reissue the earlier volumes. With a constant stream of philatelic literature being

made available to the collector, it was not surprising that they were not prepared to receive volume I, at least—Chips.

Can be had from the publisher, H. L. Lindquist, 100 Sixth Avenue, New York, N. Y. at \$3.50 or from the Publishers of Linn's Weekly Stamp News, Columbus, Ohio.

## Another Stamp Blacklist

Numerous efforts and movements in the past, with the idea to blacklist certain stamps or to discourage the collecting of them have sprung up and died a natural death.

A resolution has now been adopted by the Chicago Philatelic Society, with an intention to set up a board or committee of three, to pass on all stamp issues of the future and give them a rating as to their desirability for the collector to collect.

Such resolutions and movements are doubtless founded on good faith and a sound belief by those who sponsor them but it has long been demonstrated and known that the collector will collect what he fancies and no purity league or "Good Housekeeping Institute" is wanted by the collector to tell him what he should or should not collect.

Had things been handled by a board of censors, the recent Goya stamp would have been stopped before it got into this country, yet we believe it holds the record of being the biggest seller in postage stamps.

If it is practical to censor issues as being speculative and undesirable, it should be possible to censor stamps for immorality, at least the prudes would so hold and if we start censoring, we will not know when to stop.

On the other hand, no amount of censoring will stop collectors from collecting what they choose and since stamp collecting has come to be such a universal hobby and since there are so many different fields in which to collect, very few collectors gather everything, so the best we can do is to take what appeals to us and let the other fellow take what appeals to him and so long as countries issue stamps that we want we will acquire them, knowing quite well that if we do not want them we need only leave them alone.

## Killed By Hobby

ROCKFORD, ILL., Dec. 30—(U.P.)—His hobby brought death today to Alfred Wilcox, 30. While using benzine to bring out water marks on ancient stamps which he collected, he spilled some on a lighted cigaret, the burns killed him.—Columbus Citizen.

The December 28 issue of Linn's Weekly carried an article on Watermark Fluids and therein was a quotation from an article by Dr. Babcock of Detroit in which he said in referring to the use of carbon tetrachloride, "it is recommended to cigarette smokers as a watermark fluid."

This same article pointed out that LINPRINT had placed on the market a safe fluid, composed of benzine and carbon tetrachloride, enough of the latter being mixed with benzine to eliminate the explosive or flammable features. It is well known that carbon tetrachloride alone will actually smother flame.

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(\*) It sometimes happens that the Secretary

is not so situated as to be able to meet visitors who desire to meet the local collectors or attend the local club meeting. If this is the case, a member whom visiting collectors may contact is so noted at the foot of the Club data. If the Secretary's name is marked thus (\*), it indicates that he is the Contact Man.

Abbreviations: A. P. S.—American Philatelic Society; S. P. A.—Society for Philatelic Americans; A. A. M. S.—American Air Mail Society; U. S. A.—Universal Stamp Association; J.—Juniors; S.—Seniors.

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**ANGOLA**—As was the case with the provisionals of 1934, the three stamps chronicled by us in our notes of Nov. 2nd, were printed in very small quantities and the Post Office supply is already sold out. There were two other values prepared for sale, but not issued.  
(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

**BELGIUM**—Queen Astrid Mourning Stamps. Announced as forthcoming in this column Nov. 30th. Same portrait as the value chronicled that date. Photogravure printing, perf. 11½, large upright format, each stamp surrounded with a black border or mourning frame

10c plus	5c	olive-black
25c	15c	pale brown
35c	5c	blue-green
50c	10c	pale mauve
1fr	25c	rose-carmine
1.75fr	55c	blue
2.45fr	55c	purple

(R. Roberts)

**CANADA**—Coil Stamp. Another value to go with that chronicled Nov. 23rd. Unwmkd. perf. 8 vertically:

A81—2c brown

To the collectors of coil pairs, it might be of interest to know that Fred Farnham of Detroit, from whom we received our pair, informs us that these exist only in plain pairs, that NO GUIDE LINE or PASTE-UP PAIRS were made of either this value or the 3c chronicled Nov. 23rd.

Later: Mr. Arthur Lee, of Columbus, just reports to us that he has just received the 1c value in the coil form, so we add:

A81—1c green

**COOK ISLANDS**—The following quantities were printed of the Silver Jubilee stamps:

1p—	44,000
2½p—	88,000
6p—	88,000

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

**COSTA RICA**—Scott's Monthly Journal for December has removed the series chronicled by us Aug. 24th, from the tentative listings and placed it among the regularly recognized issues. There seems to have been a slight error in our previous listing in that two values were given as Air Post stamps, so we re-list:

A92—	5c	green
A93—	10c	carmine
A92—	30c	orange
A94—	45c	dark violet
A93—	50c	blue black

**CZECHOSLOVAKIA**—Another value with a new portrait of the President (who has just recently resigned) Unwmkd. perf. 12½:

A60—1k rose-lake (Masaryk)

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

**EGYPT**—The 4th International Locust Congress will be held at Cairo in March, 1936, and will be the occasion for a special stamp issue.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

**FRANCE**—New Air Mail stamps are to be issued shortly. The announced values are: 85c, 1.50fr, 2.25fr, 3.50fr, and 50fr.

(Whitfield, King & Co.)

**GERMANY**—The following Scott's numbers were due to be demonetized Dec. 31st: 367, 370, 372, 374, 376, 378, 381, 386, 388, 394, 398, 399, 400, 432, 433, 434, 435, 444, 445, 442, 443, 436, to 441, 446 and 447.

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

**GREAT BRITAIN**—Two additional values in the photogravure printing. Sheets of 240 (20 rows of 12):

4p slate (head on black background medallion)  
9p myrtle green (background in deep color)  
As the above was being written to us, it was learned that the 4p had been vetoed, because of the color and it is thought that it might be changed.

(R. Roberts)

**Double Paper Variety.** Gibbons' Stamp Monthly reports the 3p of the current photogravure printing on double paper. This is the same sort of a variety as appears on our rotary press stamps of the U. S. and is caused by the stamps being printed on the overlapping paper at the junction of two paper rolls. This same variety has been seen on the 1½p value also.

**GREECE**—Commemorative Provisionals. Four values of the current postage and postage due stamps, were overprinted "3 November 1935" with a shield & crown (except the two dues, which are minus the shield) and a new value as noted below. This was done to commemorate the Plebiscite, by which the return to the monarchy was voted.

Postage 5dr on 100dr overprint in dull red  
Postage 15dr on 75dr overprint in blue  
Postage Due 50L on 40L overprint in dull red  
Postage Due 3dr overprint in blue

All of the above were to be used for postage and it will be noted that the 3dr postage due was not surcharged with a new value, that amount being the inland postage rate for Greece. As we are not clear as to just what designs were overprinted, we shall withhold noting that until a later date.

(R. Roberts)

**GUINEA**—Values with no control figures at the back:

1c	blue-green
2c	chocolate

(Gibbons' Supplement)

**JUGOSLAVIA**—Although 100,000 complete sets were printed of the series chronicled Dec. 7th, they were all sold on the first day; most of them went to non-collectors, being wanted as souvenirs of the late monarch, and for this reason it appears as though the set will be comparatively scarce.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

**LATVIA**—50,000 sets were printed of a Poets' Issue and same were placed on sale at the end of October, 1935. Thus far we have failed to see the stamps.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

**LEBANON**—Type of 1930-31 Issue. Unwmkd. perf. 13½:

A9—1pi brown-violet

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

**MANCHUKUO**—Type of 1935. Granite paper, wmkd. characters, Perf. 13x13½:  
A9—8f ochre

Stamp of 1932, surcharged in black in four Chinese characters:

A1—8f on 4f olive green  
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

**NEW ZEALAND**—The four 1931 Air Post stamps (Scott's #301-2-3-4) were withdrawn from sale on October 31, 1935. The first printing of the new Air Post stamps (Scott's 306-7-8) was 600,000 each of the 1p & 6p values and 300,000 of the 3p.

If a suitable design can be secured a special Anzac Commemorative stamp on the occasion of the 21st Anniversary of the Gallipoli landing of April 1915, will be issued.  
(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

**NIUE**—Quantities printed of the Silver Jubilee stamps were:

1p—	120,000
2½p—	80,000
6p—	68,240

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

**POLAND**—For some unknown reason the new 5gr "Dog Rock," noted by us Nov. 30th, was only on sale to the public for a few hours and suddenly withdrawn on August 16, 1935. It was then released again on September 6th.

The design for the other values to go with this stamp, not yet issued, in the ordinary postal set are:

10gr	Moskie Oko, a famous Carpathian lake
20gr	Pieniny-Czorszyn, a Carpathian health resort
25gr	Belvedere, residence of the President
30gr	Castle at Mir
45gr	Castle at Podhorze
50gr	"Sukiennice" the Cloth Hall of Cracow
	Castle
55gr	Paczynski Library, Posnan
12l	Vilna Cathedral

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

**URUGUAY**—Florencio Sanchez Commemorative. Large upright format 24x32mm. Lithographed printing, unwmkd. perf. 11. Sheets of 100 (10x10). A curious looking stamp, one-sided. On the left is a sort of shutter with six white lines across, a thick colored tablet at the foot. Figure of value in lower left corner:

3c	gray-green
7c	purple-brown
12c	blue

(R. Roberts)



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According to the BUREAU SPECIALIST, a magazine devoted only to the issues of the Bureau of Printing and Engraving, the plates for the Wilkes-Barre hyphenless coils will be destroyed and when another printing is necessary the new plates will have the hyphen on them. It seems that the plates for these coils were made in a great hurry and this no doubt is the reason the hyphen was overlooked. One reason that substantiates this supposition is that had hardly the order for the coils appeared in the press than the report came in that the stamps were in use. So we can suppose that the order was of the well known RUSH variety and the haste in getting it out, the cause for the error. It would be wise to make every effort to get these first coils as if the report is true the next lot will contain the hyphen, the first ones then might be very difficult to obtain.

## SAN FRANCISCO

A good description of the method employed in the repairing of the plate is contained in the December issue of the Precancel BEE. The article is written by H. A. BULLARD and I herewith present the most explanatory part of his article: "The method of repairing a plate is this: lumps of solder are added to the surface of the plate in the place smashed. It is then machined or stoned (ground with a fine stone) down to printing height; and with engraving tools the lines or letters are cut back onto the plate. This is delicate work; it is small wonder that, as in the present case, occasionally the repair differs much from the original type in character and size."

## 6c CITY TYPE COILS

A list by A. F. Gamber in the Dec. Bee: Washington, D. C., Indianapolis, Ind., Louisville, Ky., Minneapolis, Minn., Saint Paul (two types.), St. Louis, Mo., Buffalo, N. Y., Rochester, N. Y., Nashville, Tenn., Seattle, Wash., Milwaukee, Wis., Long Island City??? Yes a question mark after the last one. Gamber questions the existence of it, but I remember of reporting it and the fellow that reported it to me so I will check with him again to make sure. Of the above I only have five, Ind., Minn., Mil., Nash. and St. Louis. I also remember of someone telling me of 6c coils from either Bridgeport or New Haven. Do they exist?

## THANKS A MILLION

For all the cards etc. It would be impossible to reply to all so I take this opportunity for thanking you and assure you they were greatly appreciated. Frank Barbers Card came from Asheville, N. C. with a Conn.; San Diego; Boulder Dam and a Michigan commemorative precancel attached thereto and precancelled in Ashevilles U-17. Paul Perkosky card contained some nice Rome, N. Y. items and Geo. Fulton the sales mgr. of the P. S. S. franked his Xmas cards with a 1½ F. V. from Oswego, N. Y., U-54.

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## Broadway Chatter

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According to the New York Times, Jacob B. Hoffman, head of the National Union Postage Stamp Corporation of 27 Beaver St., New York, was arrested and held on bail of \$5,000 by U. S. Commissioner G. W. Cotter on a charge of possessing and selling counterfeit stamps. A raid on a three room suite was made Friday afternoon by Secret Service agents under James F. Carter and counterfeit and genuine stamps of a face value estimated at more than \$10,000 were found of United States stamps.

Descriptive circulars have been received here from Cuba of an issue of stamps commemorative of the establishment of the Free Zone in the Port of Matanzas, Cuba. There will be ordinary mail sets, aerial sets, special delivery and special aerial mail sets will be printed, and in addition 20,000 stamps of each denomination will be issued imperforated. Besides this foreigners can obtain grants of land for various purposes in this land

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The demand for mint sets of the British Jubilees here has broken out again with full intensity. Prices seem to be cheaper in New York than in London. Reports of American dealers who have made the trip over there are that sets complete are selling for very high prices. It seems to be the consensus of opinion that after January first here the call for complete sets, broken sets, and what have you will be great. Some dealers in Gotham who have used sets and singles of the Jubilees have withdrawn them from sale, preferring to tell buyers they have not any as they think that after January first there will be quite an upward trend on a lot of them. Figures that have come to us already show small printings of many of the colonies. A set of Union of South Africa used in unsevered pairs (8 stamps) with Dutch and English, was sold here for seven dollars recently.

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		No Secret Marks				With Secret Marks				Re-en- graved
		Grilled	Not Grilled			Regular Issue		Special Issues or Reprints		
		Hard, Slight Yellow Tone	Hard, Slight Yellow Tone	Hard White	Soft Porous	Hard White	Soft Porous	Hard, White No Gum	Soft Porous No Gum	
Paper → National = Nat. Continental = Cont. American = Am. →		Nat.	Nat.	Cont.	Am.	Cont.	Am.	Cont.	Am.	Am.
Denomination & Subject Color or Shade										
12c Clay										
Dull Violet		140	151							
Violet			151							
Dark Violet			151					173		
Blackish Violet						162				
Blackish Purple									198	
15c Webster										
Orange		141					189a		199	
Bright Orange		141	152					174		
Deep Orange		141	152							
Yellow Orange						163	189			
Pale Orange						163				
Reddish Orange						163				
Red Orange							189			
24c Scott						No Secret Marks on 24c, 30c and 90c				
Purple		142	153							
Deep Purple			153	164						
Bright Purple			153							
Dull Purple								175		
Dark Violet									200	
30c Hamilton										
Black		143	154							
Full Black			154		190					
Gray Black				165						
Greenish Black				165a	190a			176	201	
Orange Brown					217					
Deep Orange Brown					217					
90c Perry										
Carmine		144	155		191					
Dark Carmine		144	155							
Rose Carmine				166						
Pale Rose Carmine				166						
Violet Carmine								177		
Dull Carmine									202	
Carmine Rose					191					
Rose					191a					
Purple					218					
Bright Purple					218					

Year of Issue →	1870	1873	1874	1875	1879	1880	1888
Scott Cat. No. →	140-144, 151-155	162, 163	164-166	173-177	189-191	198-202	217, 218

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## Year Of The Rat

According to the Japanese Zodiac, the year 1936, is the "Year of the Rat," and ALL Japanese New Year cards of greeting feature that pesti- vorous animal. So many millions of these cards are to be sent out that the Postmaster General will issue a special postage stamp of 1½ sen denomination—the 1½ sen will take these cards anywhere within the Japanese Empire.

In Nippon there are various cus- toms and ceremonies of watching the old year out and the new in, among which is this exchange of New Year greeting cards. More than 600, 000,000 of these cards are mailed annually.

The stamp above mentioned was placed on sale at all the Post Offices throughout the country excepting those in the South Seas Mandated Islands, on December 1st. In the Islands they were placed on sale November 15th.

Unlike other postal issues of Nip- pon these stamps are good for postage ONLY on the New Year cards. The size of the stamp is 18 x 22 mm. Arranged vertically and typographed in carmine rose on unwater-marked paper. The central subject of the stamp is a reproduction of the sacred Mt. Fuji.

The New Year Stamp is announc- ed to be an annual issue from now on making its appearance early each De- cember, but with a change in design. The stamp will bear the chrono- logical figures of Nippon altered each year.

(Karl Lewis)

(Ichiro Yoshida)

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